

**GOVERNMENT OF INDIA  
HOME AFFAIRS  
LOK SABHA**

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DEATHS DUE TO STAMPEDE

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**Will the Minister of HOME AFFAIRS be pleased to state:**

- (a) the details of incidents of stampede reported in the country along with the number of persons killed/injured during the last three months, State/UT-wise;
- (b) whether the Government has conducted any inquiry in this regard;
- (c) if so, the details and outcome thereof along with the action taken against the responsible persons, State/UT-wise;
- (d) the details of the financial assistance provided to the families of the victims of such stampedes during the said period, State/UT-wise; and
- (e) the steps taken/being taken by the Government to check such cases in future?

**Answer**

MINISTER OF THE STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF HOME AFFAIRS (SHRI R.P.N. SINGH)

- (a) As per the information made available, for the last three months, an incident of stampede was reported on 18th January, 2014 in the Malabar Hills areas of Mumbai while paying last respects to Dr. Syendna Mohammed Burhanuddin, Head Priest of Dawoodi Bohra Muslim community wherein 18 persons were killed and 59 injured.
- (b) to (d) Since responsibility for arrangements of Law and Order for such occasions entirely vests with the State Government, it is the State Government which takes up inquiry and further follow-up action in this regard. Further, it also provides medical assistance and other necessary relief to the persons/families affected in such incidents.
- (e) A detailed advisory was issued to all State/UTs on 1.10.2008 making the States/UTs aware of the need to manage such gatherings and suggesting measures, such as allowing manageable number of persons to visit the temples/shrines/public places and other places with large footfalls at a particular time; proper access control procedure/system at every entry/exit point; establishing sound alert system; regular training of staff in evaluation procedures' etc. to avoid recurrence of incidents of stampede in future. Further, on the basis of specific inputs received from security agencies, advisories are being issued from time to time.